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SURGERY

CHAPTER 4
SECTION 1.1A

# CATEGORY III CODES

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## I. CPT<sup>1</sup> PROCEDURE CODES

0001T, 0003T - 0024T, 0026T - 0074T

#### II. DESCRIPTION

Category III codes is a set of temporary codes for emerging technology, services, and procedures.

#### III. POLICY

Category III codes are to be used instead of unlisted codes to allow the collection of specific data. Category III codes are excluded from coverage since clinical safety and efficacy or applicability to clinical practice has not been established.

#### IV. EXCEPTION

Category III code 0024T may be covered under the Rare Disease Policy for children. See Chapter 1, Section 3.1.

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